

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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**DPW Establishes Stormwater E-mail Hotline**

The Department of Public Works Engineering Division has established an e-mail hotline for stormwater issues. The hotline allows residents to report any illicit dumping or discharges to the Town's stormwater drainage system. This will reduce and eventually eliminate pollution discharges to the Town's ponds, brooks and streams and the Charles River. The e-mail hotline address is [stormwater@wellesleyma.gov](mailto:stormwater@wellesleyma.gov). The establishment of the hotline complies with the requirements of the Town's General Permit under the Phase II NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) Stormwater Regulations.

The following items are prohibited from the stormwater drainage system:

- Oil
- Gasoline and other petroleum and automotive products
- Antifreeze
- Grease
- Hazardous waste
- Paint or painting products
- Solid waste
- Construction debris
- Household cleaners
- Soap
- Drain cleaners
- Food and food waste
- Yard waste
- Leaves
- Animal feces
- Sand and gravel
- Dirt

Individual residential car washing, emergency pumping of uncontaminated water from flooded basements, irrigation, flushing of the Town's water system and fire fighting are acceptable non-stormwater discharges that are allowable uses of the stormwater drainage system.

Please feel free to use the e-mail stormwater hotline, [stormwater@wellesleyma.gov](mailto:stormwater@wellesleyma.gov), to report the illegal discharge and inappropriate illegal uses of the Town's stormwater drainage system.

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